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WHOLE ON UNIDO CONSTITUTION (IGC III): PROCEDURES FOR
ASSESSED PORTION OF PROGRAM/BUDGET

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1. DEPT BELIEVES IT USEFUL FOR DELEGATION TO REPEATEDLY

REMIND DELEGATES WHILE DISCUSSING PROGRAM/BUDGET PROCEDURES THAT US POSITIONS APPLY ONLY TO PORTION OF PROGRAM/BUDGET SUPPORTED BY ASSESSED CONTRIBUTIONS AND NOT TO ENTIRE UNIDO BUDGET.

2. DEPT DOES NOT POSSESS ALL FACTS NECESSARY TO ACCEPT OR REJECT PROGRAM BUDGET PROCEDURE STEP SIX LISTED IN REFTEL A, PARA. 3,(F), QUOTE INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT BOARD (IDB) EITHER ACCEPTS OR REJECTS SECOND PROGRAM BUDGET COMMITTEE (PBC) SUBMISSION OR AMENDS IT FOR SUBMISSION TO GENERAL CONFERENCE (GC). FIRST SPECIFIC INFORMATION MISSING IS WHETHER IDB DECISION WOULD BE BY VOTE OF 2/3 OF TOTAL IDB MEMBERSHIP (SO STATED IN REFTEL B, PARA 2 ONLY AS APPLIED TO PBC) OR BY VOTE OF 2/3 OF MEMBERS PRESENT AND VOTING (ADVOCATED BY G-77 IN REFTEL B, PARA 4 AND REFTEL C, PARA 4D).

3. SECOND SPECIFIC DATUM MISSING IS COMPOSITION OF IDB. DEPT NOTES FROM REFTEL C, PARA 5, THAT G-77 DURING PRE-SESSIONAL CONSULTATIONS WOULD ACCEPT SOMETHING UNDER TWO-THIRDS OF TOTAL MEMBERSHIP IN ONE OF THREE POSSIBLE APPROACHES QUOTE (A) KEEP IDB AT 45 BUT REDUCE THE NUMBER OF B AND D SEATS; (B) INCREASE THE SIZE OF IDB WITH THE WHOLE OF THE INCREASE GOING TO GROUPS A AND C; (C) INCREASE THE NUMBER OF SEATS OF ALL GROUPS BUT ALLOW A LARGER INCREASE FOR GROUPS A AND C. DEPT ALSO NOTES FROM SUBSEQUENT REFTEL B, PARA 3 THAT G-77 LEANING TOWARD BOARD OF 50 WITH ALL FIVE ADDITIONAL SEATS ALLOCATED TO GROUPS A AND C.

4. DEPT RECOGNIZES THAT IGC MAY BE UNDER PRESSURE FROM G-77 TO MEET CRITERIA OF LIMA PLAN OF ACTION ARTICLE 70, (A), (II) WHICH STATES QUOTE THE REPRESENTATION OF THE DEVELOPING COUNTRIES ON THE INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT BOARD SHOULD BE INCREASED. UNQUOTE. THIS APPEAL TO THE DOCUMENT OF ORTHODOXY MAY BE BUTTRESSED BY G-77 ARGUMENT THAT GROUP B PROPOSAL FOR A PROGRAM BUDGET COMMITTEE, TO WHICH THEY HAVE AGREED, IS CONTAINED IN ARTICLE 70(A) (III) AS QUOTE A PROGRAM BUDGET COMMITTEE MAY BE ESTABLISHED QUOTE. IT'S THEIR "SHOULD" AGAINST OUR "MAY". LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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MEMBERS OF G-77 WITH A HISTORICAL BENT MIGHT ALSO STIFFEN G-77 POSITION BY RECALLING THAT G-77 HAD SOFTENED THEIR ORIGINAL DEMAND AT THE SECOND GENERAL CONFERENCE OF UNIDO FOR A LARGER BOARD (WHICH THE U.S. CONSIDERS UNDESIRABLE) PLUS A SECOND UNDESIRABLE FEATURE OF GIVING GROUPS A AND C A FULL 66.6 PERCENT REPRESENTATION. THE TEXT PROPOSED BY THE SECOND MINISTERIAL MEETING OF THE G-77 AT ALGIERS FROM FEBRUARY 15 TO 18, 1975 READ: QUOTE THE

REPRESENTATION OF THE DEVELOPING COUNTRIES ON THE INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT BOARD SHOULD BE INCREASED FROM 25 TO 40, SO THAT THE TOTAL MEMBERSHIP OF THE INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT BOARD WILL BE 60, SO THAT THE RATIO OF DEVELOPING TO DEVELOPED COUNTRIES WILL BE 2 TO 1 INSTEAD OF 5 TO 4 AS AT PRESENT.

5. DEPT, MEANWHILE, CALCULATES PERCENTAGE IN IDB COMPOSITIONS OF GROUP A AND C VOTING STRENGTH WHICH MEET CRITERIA OF THREE PROPOSALS IN REFTEL B PARA 5 TO BE BELOW 66.6 PERCENT. IT RANGES FROM 56 PERCENT IN PROPOSAL C TO 60 PERCENT IN PROPOSAL B. FIRST U.S. PREFERENCE (NOT MEETING CRITERIA OF EITHER LIMA PLAN OF ACTION NOR REFTEL B) IS TO MAINTAIN PRESENT IDB COMPOSITION. SECOND U.S. PREFERENCE (MEETING LIMA PLAN OF ACTION BUT

SLIGHTING GROUP D) IS: B-17; D-5; A-20; AND C-8. THIRD U.S. PREFERENCE IS REFTEL B, PROPOSAL A (SLIGHTING GROUPS D AND C): B-15, D-4, A-19, AND C-7. DELEGATION SHOULD MAKE THESE PREFERENCES KNOWN AND LOBBY FOR BEST POSSIBLE ONE. IF AGREEMENT CAN BE REACHED ON ONE OF THESE COMPOSITIONS, TOGETHER WITH VOTING CALCULATED BY 2/3 OF TOTAL BOARD MEMBERSHIP, AND A LIMITATION THAT IDB OVERRIDE OF PBC SUBMISSION NOT EXCEED TWO PERCENT, THEN DELEGATION IS AUTHORIZED TO ACCEPT STEP SIX OF PROGRAM BUDGET PROCEDURES LISTED IN REFTEL A, PARA 3, (F).

6. FYI: FURTHER ORDERING OF RELATIVE DESIRABILITY OF PROPOSED COMPOSITIONS FOLLOWS. FIRST IS REFTEL B, PROPOSAL C: B-16, D-6, A-20, AND C-8. NEXT IS ANOTHER VARIATION OF REFTEL B, PROPOSAL A (THIS TIME SLIGHTING GROUPS B AND A): B-14, D-4, A-19, AND C-8. LEAST DESIRABLE COMPOSITION (ALTHOUGH CONSIDERABLY BETTER THAN LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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THAT ORIGINALLY ADVANCED BY G-77 AT LIMA CONFERENCE AS DESCRIBED IN PARA 4 ABOVE) IS REFTEL B, PROPOSAL B, WHICH MISSION REPORTS IS MOST FAVORED BY G-77: B-15, D-5, A-21 AND C-9.

7. FINALLY, U.S. SHOULD SUPPORT AND URGE GROUP B TO SUPPORT GROUP D PROPOSAL THAT IDB FIX CEILINGS FOR BUDGETS BY CONSENSUS BEFORE DG PREPARES HIS ESTIMATES. KISSINGER

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